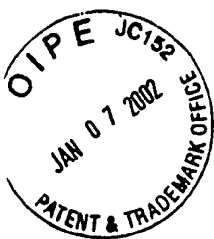


DOCKET NO.: IBIS-0012

BOX AF

PATENT



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED

JAN 09 2002

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

In Re Application of:
Ecker et al.

Serial No.: 09/310,667

Group Art Unit: 1655

Filing Date: May 12, 1999

Examiner: F. Lu

For: IDENTIFICATION OF MOLECULAR INTERACTION SITES IN RNA FOR
NOVEL DRUG DISCOVERY

DATE OF DEPOSIT: 13 DECEMBER 2001

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PAPER IS BEING
DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL
SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID
ON THE DATE INDICATED ABOVE AND IS
ADDRESSED TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER
FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, DC 20231.

Paul K. Legaard
TYPED NAME: Paul K. Legaard
REGISTRATION NO.: 38,534

Box ☐ NON-FEE

☒ AF

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application is:

☐ A Preliminary Amendment.

☒ An Amendment and Request for Reconsideration Responsive to the Office Action

Dated September 13, 2001.

☐ An Amendment Supplemental to the Paper filed _____.

☐ Other: _____.

- ☒ Applicant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.
- ☐ Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27 as:
- ☐ an Independent Inventor
 - ☐ a Small Business Concern
 - ☐ a Nonprofit Organization
- ☐ This application is no longer entitled to small entity status. It is requested that this be noted in the files of the Patent and Trademark Office.
- ☐ Substitute Pages _____ of the Specification are enclosed.
- ☐ An Abstract is enclosed.
- ☐ _____ Sheets of Proposed Corrected Drawings are enclosed.
- ☐ A Certified Copy of each of the following applications: _____
_____ is enclosed.
- ☐ An Associate Power of Attorney is enclosed.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Attached Form 1449.
 - ☐ A copy of each reference as listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith.
- ☐ Appended Material as follows: _____
- ☐ Other Material as follows: _____

FEE CALCULATION

☒ No Additional Fee is Due.

				SMALL ENTITY		NOT SMALL ENTITY	
	REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST PAID FOR	EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	19	34 (20 MINIMUM)	0	\$9 EACH	\$0	\$18 EACH	\$
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	6 (3 MINIMUM)	0	\$42 EACH	\$0	\$84 EACH	\$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT				\$140	\$0	\$280	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$55	\$0	\$110	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$200	\$0	\$400	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$460	\$0	\$920	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$720	\$0	\$1440	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$980	\$0	\$1960	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> LESS ANY EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID				minus	(\$0)	minus	(\$)
<input type="checkbox"/> TERMINAL DISCLAIMER				\$55	\$0	\$110	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER FEE OR SURCHARGE AS FOLLOWS:					0		
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$0		\$

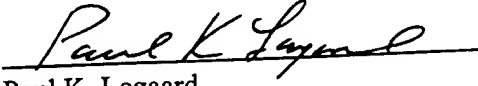
- ☐ A Check is Enclosed in the Foregoing Amount Due.
- ☐ Petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of @@ to and through @@ comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of @@ month(s).
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to deposit

account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the following fees and to refund any overpayment associated with this communication or during the pendency of this application to deposit account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.
- ☐ The Foregoing Amount Due for Filing this Paper.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required, including fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17 or 1.20(d).

SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

Date: 13 DECEMBER 2001


Paul K. Legaard
Registration No. 38,534

Woodcock Washburn LLP
One Liberty Place - 46th Floor
Philadelphia PA 19103
Telephone: (215) 568-3100
Facsimile: (215) 568-3439

DOCKET NO.: IBIS-0012

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

PATENT

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP NO. 1655

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re application of:

Ecker, Sampath, Griffey and McNeil

Serial No.: 09/310,667

Group Art Unit: 1655

Filed: May 12, 1999

Examiner: F. Lu

For: IDENTIFICATION OF MOLECULAR INTERACTION SITES IN RNA FOR
NOVEL DRUG DISCOVERY

I, Paul K. Legaard, Registration No. 38,534 certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

On December 13, 2001

Paul K. Legaard
Paul K. Legaard Reg. No. 38,534

BOX AF

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

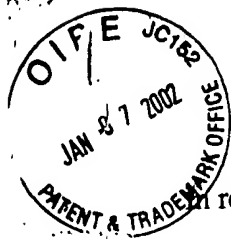
AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 13, 2001 in connection with the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows.

In the Application:

Please delete pages 1-96 containing the Sequence Listing.

Please delete Figures 6-8, 11, 12, 16, 17, 19, 21-24, 26, 27, 29-65 and 67-97.



JAN 10 9 2002

19/D
B. Webb
1/11/02
(NE)

please don't
enter
1/14/02
nalleu